## GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH <u>ABSTRACT</u>

Public Services – Irrigation & CAD Department – Allegation of corruption against Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, Asst. Engineer (Retd.), formerly worked in the Office of N.S.C. O&M Division, Miryalaguda – Departmental Proceedings initiated – Charge held proved – Imposition of major penalty of cut in pension of 5% for a period of five (5) years against the charged officer Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, Asst. Engineer (Retd.), – Orders – Issued.

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# IRRIGATION & C.A.D. (IW:SERVICES-VI(1) DEPARTMENT

#### G.O.Ms.No. 158.

<u>Dated 25 - 11-2011.</u> Read the following:-

- Radio Message received from the Dy.Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad Range, Hyderabad dated 22-02-2007.
- 2. Proceedings No.883/Conf/E1/225, dated 24-02-2007 of Superintending Engineer, Irrigation & CAD Department, Irrigation Circle, Hyderabad.
- 3. G.O.Rt.No.165, Irrigation & CAD (Ser.VI(1) Department, dated 03-02-2009.
- 4. From Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, Assistant Engineer, N.S.C. O&M Section-II, Nereducherla, Written Statement of Self Defence dated 04-03-2009.
- 5. Govt. Memo.No.6431/Ser.VI(1)/2007-18, dated 10-03-2010.
- 6. From the Engineer-in-Chief (AW), Irrigation & CAD Dept., Hyderabad, Memo.No.Rc/ENC/P2/39408/2007, dated 08-04-2010.
- 7. Enquiry Report received from the Superintending Engineer & Enquiry Officer, NSLBC O & M Circle, Miryalaguda thro' Letter No.Rc/ENC/P2/39408/2007, dated 06-10-2010 of Engineer-in-Chief (AW), I & CAD Dept., Hyderabad.
- 8. Govt. Memo.No.6431/Ser.VI(1)/2007-22, dated 22-10-2010.
- 9. Representation from Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, formerly Asst. Engineer, dated 'NIL'.
- 10. Govt. Memo.No.6431/Ser.VI(1)/2007-27, dated 07-05-2011.
- Representation from Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, Asst. Engineer (Retd.), dated 22-06-2011 received thro' Letter No.Rc/ENC/P2/39408/2007, dated 20-08-2011 of the Engineer-in-Chief (AW), I & CAD Dept., Hyderabad.
- 12. Govt. Letter No.6431/Ser.VI(1)/2007-32, dated 26-09-2011.
- 13. From the Secretary, A.P.Public Service Commission, Hyderabad, Letter No.316/RT-1/3/2011, dated 04-11-2011.

### ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, it has been brought to the notice of the Government that a Trap Case was registered by the Anti-Corruption Bureau authorities against Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, formerly Assistant Engineer, I.B.Division, Nampally Section, Devarakonda Sub-Division, Nalgonda, as he demanded and accepted the bribe amount from the complainant. Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, Asst. Engineer was arrested officer accused on 21-02-2007.registering a case against him Crime No.4/ACBvide HR/2007, dated 21-02-2007 under section 7 of Prevention of Corruption Act, Accordingly, the said accused officer was placed under deemed suspension from the date of his detention under Rule 8(2)(a) and Rule 8(5) of A.P.Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 vide reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above.

2. In the reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, Government have initiated departmental proceedings against Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, formerly Asst. Engineer and Articles of Charges were issued against him.

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- 3. In the reference 4<sup>th</sup> read above, the charged officer Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, formerly Asst. Engineer in his written statement of self defence has informed that due to busy in works and negligence for his personnel work, he failed to submit the annual property statements and not obtained prior permission for acquiring residential house and agriculture land but not to avoid or to hide the property, and requested to drop further action against him.
- 4. In the reference 5<sup>th</sup> read above, the Engineer-in-Chief (AW), Irrigation & CAD Department, Hyderabad was requested to institute an inquiry into the allegations / charges framed against the accused officer Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, formerly Asst. Engineer, Office of the Executive Engineer, Irrigation & CAD Dept., I.B.Division, Nampally Section, Devarakonda Sub-Division, Nalgonda District under the provisions of A.P.Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 duly appointing a competent Enquiry Officer of proven integrity, and also a Presenting Officer, with the directions that the enquiry as per the CCA Rules should be completed within three months and furnish the Enquiry Report to Government, for taking further action in the matter.
- 5. In the reference 6<sup>th</sup> read above, the Engineer-in-Chief (AW), Irrigation & CAD Department, Hyderabad issued orders appointing the Superintending Engineer, NSLBC O&M Circle, Miryalaguda as Enquiry Officer, to conduct departmental enquiry into the charges framed against the charged officer Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, Assistant Engineer.
- 6. In the reference 7<sup>th</sup> read above, the Superintending Engineer & Enquiry Officer, NSLBC O &M Circle, Miryalaguda in his Enquiry Report has stated among other things and informed that the Asst. Engineer Sri P.Seetharam Reddy has neglected for submitting annual property statements, in not obtaining prior permission for acquiring movable & immovable property, which attract the Conduct Rules and as per the oral enquiry and written statement of the Asst. Engineer, he found that Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, Asst. Engineer was panelized minor penalty.
- 7. In the reference 8<sup>th</sup> read above, while enclosing a copy of the Inquiry Report of the Inquiring Authority under Rule 21(2) of A.P.Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991, the charged officer Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, formerly Asst. Engineer, Irrigation & CAD Dept., I.B.Division, Nampally Section, Devarakonda Sub-Division, Nalgonda District was directed to submit his representation if any, why a major penalty should not be imposed against him, within 15 days for taking necessary action.
- 8. The charged officer Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, formerly Asst. Engineer in his representation has stated among other things and requested to exonerate him from the charges framed against him and requested, not to impose any penalty against him vide reference 9<sup>th</sup> read above.
- examining the representation of the charged officer Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, formerly Asst. Engineer, Government have observed that the charged officer Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, Asst. Engineer could not submit his annual property statements and he has not obtained prior permission for acquiring movable and immovable properties. Therefore. Government have taken a provisional decision i.e., to impose a penalty of cut in Pension of 5% for a period of five (5) years against the officer Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, Asst. Engineer (Retd.), subject to review on the outcome of the criminal proceedings against the charged officer in C.C.No.15/2008 before the Hon'ble Court of Addl. Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases-cum-V Addl. Chief Judge, City Civil Court, Hyderabad and in the reference 10<sup>th</sup> read above, while indicating the above said punishment, the charged officer Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, Asst. Engineer (Retd.) was directed to submit his representation if any, on the proposed punishment within a period of 15 days for taking necessary action.

- 10. In the reference 11<sup>th</sup> read above, the charged officer Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, Asst. Engineer (Retd.) in his representation has stated among other things and requested to reconsider his representation and exonerate him from the major penalty of 5% cut in pension for a period of five (5) years duly taking into his 33 years of satisfactory service and accepting the lapse, so that he may not put to loss financially in his pension.
- 11. As no new grounds put-forth by the charged officer in his representation, the Secretary, A.P.Public Service Commission, Hyderabad was requested to obtain the concurrence of the Commission on the proposed major penalty of cut in pension of 5% for a period of five (5) years against the charged officer Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, Asst. Engineer (Retd.), Office of the Executive Engineer, N.S.C. O&M Division, Miryalaguda, subject to review on the outcome of the criminal proceedings against the charged officer in C.C.No.15/2008 before the Hon'ble Court of First Addl. Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases-cum-V Addl. Chief Judge, City Civil Court, Hyderabad vide reference 12<sup>th</sup> read above.
- 12. In the reference 13<sup>th</sup> read above, the Secretary, A.P.Public Service Commission, Hyderabad has informed that after careful examination of the disciplinary case in the light of the records made available, Commission agreed with the proposal of the Government, to impose the punishment of 5% cut in pension for a period of five (5) years against Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, Asst. Engineer (Retd.) and advised accordingly. He has requested to furnish a copy of final orders passed in this case to his office, for information and record.
- Government have examined the entire matter carefully and decided to impose a major penalty of cut in pension of 5% for a period of five (5) years against the charged Officer Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, Asst. Engineer (Retd.), formerly worked in the Office of the Executive Engineer, N.S.C. O&M Division, Miryalaguda, subject to review on the outcome of the criminal proceedings against the charged officer in C.C.No.15/2008 before the Hon'ble Court of First Addl. Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases-cum-V Addl. Chief Judge, City Civil Court, Hyderabad Accordingly, it is hereby ordered to impose a major penalty of cut in pension of 5% for a period of five (5) years against the charged Officer Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, Asst. Engineer (Retd.), formerly worked in the Office of the Executive Engineer, N.S.C. Division, Miryalaguda, subject to review on the outcome of the criminal proceedings against the charged officer in C.C.No.15/2008 before the Hon'ble Court of First Addl. Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases-cum-V Addl. Chief Judge, City Civil Court, Hyderabad.
- 14. A copy of the reference 13<sup>th</sup> read above is enclosed.
- 15. The receipt of the G.O., may please be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

### SHAILENDRA KUMAR JOSHI PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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Sri P.Seetharam Reddy, Asst. Engineer (Retd.), formerly worked in the Office of the Executive Engineer, N.S.C. O&M Division, Miryalaguda through the Engineer-in-Chief (AW), Irrigation & CAD Dept., Hyderabad (w.e.).

The Engineer-in-Chief (AW), Irrigation & CAD Dept., Hyderabad.

Copy to: The Secretary, A.P.Public Service Commission, Hyderabad.

The Accountant General (A&E), A.P., Hyderabad.

The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad.

The Secretary to Vigilance Commission,

A.P.Vigilance Commission, Hyderabad.

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